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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 237

5 FEBRUARY 1957

1. The following were present:

Mr. D. J. Clinton	State
Mr. R. S. Kain	State
Lt. Col. D. H. Smith	Army
Maj. J. W. Jacobson	Army
Capt. R. E. Styles	Navy
LCdr. H. W. Holschuh	Navy
Col. Sam A. Carnes	Air Force
25X1A9a Lt. Col. H. K. Avery	Air Force
	CIA (Chairman)
	CIA (Vice Chairman)
	CIA (Secretary)

The chairman announced the appointment of Lt. Colonel David H. Smith as the Senior Representative for the Department of the Army on the NIS Committee to replace Col. Quintin S. Lander, effective 16 January 1957.

The chairman welcomed Col. Sam A. Carnes as NIS Committee member designate for the Department of the Air Force.

2. NIS Outline Guides

The Army member distributed copies of revised outline guides for Sections 31, 32, and 33, and reported that the proposed changes represented inter-agency working level agreement (refer to Item 3 NCM 235). The Committee deferred action on the outline guides until the next meeting in order to afford opportunity for the members to examine them.

The Navy member proposed by memorandum dated 5 February 1957 that a working group be appointed to review the requirements for Section 56 (Intelligence and Security) and to submit a revised outline guide covering all important aspects affecting the internal security of foreign countries (refer to Item 5 NCM 236). The chairman observed that Sections 56 include specific detailed information on internal security of foreign countries when such is available to the contributing office. He then read portions of Section 56 on Venezuela to illustrate this point. The Navy member requested that his proposal be tabled until he could investigate this matter further.

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The Committee approved with a slight change the outline guide for Subsection 64E (Shipbuilding) submitted by the Navy member under covering memorandum of 31 January 1957 (refer to Item 2 NCM 232).

The Army member submitted a draft proposal dated 5 February 1957 for changes in portions of the outline guide for Section 64 (Manufacturing and Construction), which was referred to an inter-agency working level conference to be chaired by Army (refer to Item 5 NCM 236).

3. Proposed Supplement for Coasts and Landing Beaches

The Navy member reported that the proposed outline guide on a new supplement for Coasts and Landing Beaches was still being developed in coordination with the Beach Erosion Board and would be submitted to the NIS Committee at an early date (refer to Item 8 NCM 236).

The question of assigning an NIS number for this supplement was left open. The chairman suggested the possibility of using Supplement II "Air Facilities" for this purpose since it is presently inactive and the published Supplements II should probably be retired since there are no plans for their revision under the maintenance program. The chairman requested the Air Force member to determine any future requirement for Supplements II in view of the reliance on AFOIN's current periodical "Air Facilities", and the more complete reference publication "Airfields and Seaplane Stations of the World."

4. Supplement I "Comments on Principal Sources"

The Navy member submitted memorandum dated 5 February 1957, subject "NIS Supplement I Comments on Principal Sources," which sets forth the following recommendations resulting from a meeting held on 1 February 1957 with representatives from interested components of the Army and Navy (refer to Item 9 NCM 236):

"(a) 'Comments on Principal Sources' should be included only once per Supplement, in Section 7 as previously approved, except as noted below;

"(b) When a particular Supplement I is published in more than one bound volume, OBI/CJA should be authorized to include the contributor's 'Comments on Principle Sources' once in each bound volume."

The chairman said that since the recommendations concerned only procedural arrangements no Committee action was required. He also indicated that he was not prepared to accept these recommendations as a final solution until he had further studied the

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5. Changes in NIS Production Schedules

The Committee approved a number of changes in the NIS Production Forecast for Fiscal Years 1958-60 which will appear in "Change Sheet No. 1" to be issued shortly. Some of these approved changes affect the current production schedule as follows:

March 1957 -- Rescheduling Section 56M (Intelligence and Security) on NIS 14 (Poland) to December 1957;

June 1957 -- Substitution of Section 9 (Personalities) of Supplement VI (Communism) on NIS 100 (Indonesia) for Section 59 (Key Personalities) on NIS 94 (Brazil) because of a priority requirement.

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6. Release of NIS to [REDACTED]

The Committee recommended to S/SDMICC the release of Sections 23 (Weather and Climate) on NIS 32 (Arabian Peninsula) and NIS 33 (Iran) to [REDACTED] and its subordinate commands in response to a specific request from [REDACTED]

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7. NIS Production Status

The vice chairman noted that January production was behind schedule and the FY 1957 production through 31 January was as follows:

	<u>Sections Scheduled</u>	<u>Sections Delivered</u>	<u>Percent Complete</u>
State	81	46	57%
Army	64	47	73
Navy	27	26	96
Air Force	13	6	46
CIA/D/GG	19	19	100
CIA/ER/RR	4	4	100
CIA/DD/P	9	2	22
CIA/OSI	15	11	73
CIA/OBI	8	8	100
Total:	240	169	70%

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8. Other Matters

a. The chairman handed the members copies of "The Professional Geographer" and invited their attention to an article entitled "Geographical Problems Relating to the Increasing Importance of Water-based Aircraft." He said that while he did not subscribe to all of its implications, he felt the article did illustrate the effect of new weapons on geographical intelligence as applied to NIS requirements. ✓

b. The members were handed copies of the chairman's memorandum of 1 February 1957 to the Chairman, Committee on International Communism, transmitting the outline guides on NIS 108 (International Communism) and Supplement VI (Communism).

c. The Committee approved a change in the short title of NIS on Marine Climate and Oceanography from "Special NIS" to "NIS on Ocean Areas", in view of the development of NIS on other special topics, such as the NIS on International Communism.

d. The Air Force member notified the Committee of the possible compromise of NIS as reported by memorandum dated 29 January 1957 from Major Allen G. Dunken, USAF Directorate of Intelligence. A further report will be made following an examination of the incident which involved the following NIS elements:

NIS 28B	Sec. 80		
NIS 31	Sec. 59, 80, 81	NIS 41B	Sec. 65M
NIS 53	Sec. 31M	NIS 45	Sec. 60 Annex

9. The next meeting of the NIS Committee will be held at 1000 hours on Tuesday, 19 February 1957.

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